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I have used computers since before DOS. Until Microsoft developed a uniform system by which software manufacturers could be relatively sure that a large segment of the public and business world could work from uniformly, there was chaos. I am at a loss to understand why the government is allying itself with a competitor of Microsoft and in the process killing the golden goose.

What would the government like? Maybe it would be fun to ruin Microsoft so it goes bankrupt and then the software companies that base their programs on their operating system go bankrupt and finally we all have to learn a new system and ditch all our present programs? At that point home users will just return to watching TV.

Why not concentrate on the utility companies for awhile? Let's see- messed up ATT, lots of techies out of work, unemployment rising--- must be some more mischief you can work!

Yes, I am an old lady but that means I remember a lot of history.

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